

ADAIR COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2020
25TH DAY APRIL ADJOURNED

The Adair County Commission convened at 8:30 a.m. on June 30, 2020 in the Courthouse at Kirksville. All Commissioners were present.

At 10:00 a.m., the Elected Official's monthly meeting was held in the upstairs Circuit Courtroom of the Courthouse. Attending the meeting were Adair County Presiding Commissioner, Mark Shahan; Adair County 1st District Commissioner, Bill King; Adair County 2nd District Commissioner, Mark Thompson; Adair County Assessor, Kent Bryant; Adair County Clerk, Sandra Collop; Adair County Treasurer, Lori Smith; Adair County Circuit Clerk, Linda Decker; and Adair County Prosecuting Attorney, Matt Wilson. Adair County Public Administrator, Rhonda Noe, was late attending the meeting.; Those absent were Adair County Sheriff, Robert Hardwick; Adair County Coroner, Brian Noe; and Adair County Collector, Sonja Harden; and Adair County Recorder, Pat Shoush.

Commissioner King talked about the events that will be occurring during the Red, White, and Blue Celebration in Kirksville. There will be a concert on the square Friday night, July 3, and a 5 K race. Saturday brings a car show, parade, and fireworks at the Country Club. Candidates participating in the parade will need to wear gloves when passing out candy. The Farmer's Market will also be in progress. He also had recently attended an EOC meeting and received information that there are currently 95 positive cases of COVID-19, 6 of which are in quarantine. Currently if you are showing symptoms of COVID-19, it is suggested that you quarantine for 14 days then there will not be any testing. You can return to normal activity if you do not feel sick.

Mrs. Decker stated that Circuit Judge Steele is getting ready to sign an order to move the Court System to Phase I beginning July 13. That meeting will be held tomorrow afternoon. There would be limited court activity. She is also getting ready to send letters out for jury summons.

Mr. Wilson stated that Phase I would continue for 2 weeks then the Court System would move to Phase II.

Presiding Commissioner Shahan said they have been working on COVID money distribution to entities. He likes having local control. Commissioner King added that Missouri is the only State where the County Commission is taking the lead to distribute the monies. They are considering setting distribution percentages for groups within the County.

Ms. Smith stated she will have a Missouri Association of Counties (MAC) meeting call tomorrow and knows that other Counties are using percentages and the Regional Planning Commission for guidance with their COVID money. The fall MAC meeting will be discussed as to what it will look like. They will also have an in-person meeting in August. Mrs. Smith did say that training cannot be waived if organizations decide not to hold their annual meetings. Elected Officials will need to review training tapes to get their mandatory continuing education.

Commissioner Thompson said he will be attending a County Commissioner's Association Meeting (CCAM) in Fulton in two weeks to work on the Commissioner's annual February meeting. Ms. Smith added that the County Treasurer's annual meeting will be held at a resort and the entire facility has been booked for the Treasurers.

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Commissioner Thompson said they met with the Road and Bridge Department regarding the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) coming to Adair County to investigate damages within the County. Their project work sheets will then determine costs for repairs. He said the roads needed to be fixed correctly.

Mr. Bryant has hired a new employee, Tyler Daniels, to work in the Assessor's office. He will start on Monday, July 6.

Mr. Wilson said the condition of Hwy T was not good. Signage should be put out to notify the traffic. Commissioner King added that the wind farm people, who were the ones damaging the roads, had given money to MoDot to fix the damaged roads. However, MoDot will not be repairing roads until construction of the wind farm is completed. It is dangerous. MoDot has received 5 million dollars to repair black top roads in Schuyler and Adair Counties by Blattner Energy to fund the repairs.

Presiding Commissioner Shahan said they had a good meeting with the Road and Bridge Department, and they want to do good work.

Mr. Wilson said the remodel in his office may be done this week. Ceiling tiles are being installed. He has obtained reduced costs for sneeze guards and the office should be open to the public soon. He will now have locked doors in the office and have bullet proof vests installed in the entry wall. He continues to work on Bullhead Trail and Hungry Hollow information for the Commission. He is still having Zoom meetings. Says it is a nightmare and difficult.

Mrs. Noe reported that her annual convention went well. She also discussed phone issues within her office and Commissioner Shahan said he would check into the issue.

The meeting ended at 11:35 a.m.

At 2:00 p.m., the Commission participated in a Zoom meeting with Charlie Poster, representative of the Missouri Soybean Association. He presented information on biodiesel made of soybeans. There are currently 2 biodiesel plants in this area of Missouri. His purpose was to call attention to the fact that biodiesel was good for the economy, the air, and creates rural jobs. Mr. Porter said biodiesel was yellowish in color but could be died red if wanted. One billion gallons of biodiesel has been manufactured each year for the past 10 years.

He is trying to get farm shops and farmers to try biodiesel again. Approximately 15 years ago, farmers experienced difficulties with their machinery when using the product. It is manufactured differently now and no longer causes machinery problems. It could make a big difference in their pocketbooks.

Mr. Porter thanked the Commission for their time.

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At 3:40 p.m., Commissioner Thompson moved to re-appoint Laurie Griego to the Adair County Public Library Board. Commissioner King seconded the motion. Presiding Commissioner Shahan concurred. All Voted in favor of the motion. Ms. Griego's term will begin in July 2020.

The Adair County Commission adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on June 30, 2020.

Unscheduled Public Walk-Ins and other Non-Agenda Items for Tuesday, June 30, 2020:

None

IN REF. ORDER NO 20 Certificate of Training for Adair County Public Administrator,
Rhonda Noe

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